

20 November 1962

Honorable Leverett Saltonstall
United States Senate
1703 Federal Building
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Senator Saltonstall:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of yesterday, I have had our Office of Current Intelligence prepare the attached memorandum (OCI #3834/62) with regard to Cuban Military activity in the area around Guantanamo.

In view of the classification of this memorandum, I have asked the Chief of our [redacted] to deliver this personally to you. I would appreciate your reading it and returning the memorandum to Mr. [redacted]

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If there is any additional information you would like, we stand ready to provide it.

Faithfully yours,

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director

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Telephone Conversation -- Senator Saltonstall and General Carter,
19 November 1962

Senator S: Oh, General, you called me on Friday and my secretary told me and then I don't know whether you wanted to get me back or not. I wondered if you wanted anything of me.

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General C: Oh, are you ?

S: Yes.

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C: Since you were , Sir, I called, I guess it is your son, isn't it or --

S: Yes.

C: Or a nephew?

S: No, son.

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C: I called your son and gave him the whole story. This was in connection with the young boy.

S: Oh, well my son knows all about that.

C: He knows all about it. I sent him a letter and I have sent a man up to brief your son.

S: Thank you very much.

C: I am sorry to disturb you, Sir.

S: Well, that is all right. Now let me ask you a question.

C: Yes sir.

S: If you can answer it over the phone, I have been hearing about this Brigadier General down in Cuba of the Marines and the Guantanamo Base and the building up around it. Can you over the telephone say anything, should we be disturbed about that? If you prefer not to, don't do it.

C: No, Sir, to be perfectly frank, Senator, I don't know about that. I read about it in the paper and our people are now ~~xxx~~ running it down to get pictures of it and at the moment that is all I know. But, I can call you as soon as we have something firm on it.

S: Well, if it is difficult at all -- or may be difficult for us, I would like to know it. I was in Guantanamo last February and I know the lay of the land there a little bit.

C: Yes, Sir, well, let me get a complete run-down on it and then we will either telephone you or I will have our come around -- we can get to him through secure channels -- and give you the information.

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S: How is Mr. McCone?

C: He is bearing up very well. He's a pistol, you know. He's a great one. He is standing it fine.

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S: Well, from what I see the attitude of the Administration on this Cuban thing is right but we have got to stay there.

C: I just hope we remain as firm as we must.

S: Thank you -- goodbye.